STAND

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick, homebound, and imprisoned. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG.....Hymn #414 *"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"*

DISMISSAL

We are God's People.
Followers of Jesus Christ.
Gifted by the Spirit.
Go Pray. Go Love. Go Serve. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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THIS WEEKEND'S WORSHIP LEADERS

INTERIM PASTOR: *Pastor Kathy Brown*
ASSISTING MINISTERS: *Di Michalski*
READERS*: Pat Gallo, Kathy Basler*
SACRISTY: *Pat Gallo, Kim Frost & Leslie Sandahl*
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: *Lisa & Mark Zanin, Cheryl Hayes, Carol Shadduck, Kay Manderfeld*
SOUND/VIDEO TECHNICIAN: *Art Kotenko*
MUSICIANS: *Laurel Borter, Deb Black*
GREETERS: *Kay & Dave Manderfeld*
NO HOSPITALITY THIS WEEKEND

St. Mary's Lutheran Church
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
www.stmaryslutheran.org
Saturday, May 25th at 5:00pm & Sunday, May 26th at 9:00am
Holy Trinity Sunday
Welcome to St. Mary's! All are Welcome!

- *Please respect the beauty of reverence and quiet reflection as we prepare for worship. Turn off phones or silence them.*
- *Please know that St. Mary's Lutheran Church celebrates Holy Communion for ALL! This is Christ's table and His invitation. You do not need to be a Lutheran, or a member of our church to participate. Also, if you wish to come up for only a blessing, please tell us when you approach, and we will bless you! If you are unable to come up for communion, tell the usher that you would like to receive communion at your seat, and someone will bring it to you.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

STAND

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.
God, our provider,

help us.
It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.
We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.
We take offense at your teachings and your ways.
Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world.
Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, ☩ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG.....Hymn #413 *"Holy, Holy, Holy"*

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE ELW p. 138

CANTICLE OF PRAISE ELW p. 140 *"This is the Feast"*

PRAYER OF THE DAY
Let us pray. God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

SIT

WORD *Pew Bible Page*

FIRST READING: Isaiah 6:1-8 (pg. 553)

This reading narrates Isaiah's vision of the Lord surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the great thanksgiving. This liturgical text invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of God's glory. That glory is God's mercy toward sinners.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Romans 8:12-17 (pg. 919)

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and joint heirs with Christ the Son.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

STAND

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW pg. 142 *"Alleluia"*

GOSPEL: John 3:1-17 (pg. 863-864)

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus' miracles prompt Nicodemus to visit him in secrecy. Jesus tells him about being born of the Spirit and about the Son who has been sent by God to save.

The gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SIT

SERMON

STAND

HYMN OF THE DAY.....Hymn #412 *"Come Join the Dance of Trinity"*

NICENE CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.

We believe in one God, the Father , the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth., of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING.....Hymn #655 *"Son of God, Eternal Savior" vs. 1,2*

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE ELW pg. 144 "The Lord be with you"

PREFACE

ACCLAMATION AND AMEN ELW p. 144 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.
In the night in which he was betrayed...
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.
Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom,
with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

SIT

COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONG ELW p. 146 "Lamb of God"

DISTRIBUTION HYMN.....Hymn #323 *"God Loved the World"*